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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: U.S. ARMS POLICY AND ARAB-ISRAELI SETTLEMENT

1. AMBASSADOR TAHSIN BASHIR, WHO IS ENGAGED IN PRE-PARING SOME OF POSITION PAPERS FOR DETAILED ARAB-ISRAELI NEGOTIATIONS, HAS REQUESTED INFORMATION ON U.S. ARMS POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL AND ARAB STATES IN VIEW OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S NEW ARMS TRANSFER POLICY. HE SPECIFICALLY ASKED WHETHER ISRAEL IS NOW TREATED AS A NATO COUNTRY, AS ANY NON-NATO COUNTRY OR IN SPECIAL CATEGORY. ALSO, WOULD SETTLEMENT CHANGE ARMS POLICY TOWARD EGYPT? BASHIR SAID THAT HE PREPARING RATIONALE FOR EGYPTIAN POSITION ON MILITARY ARMS BALANCE ASPECT OF NEGOTIATIONS; HOW TO ACHIEVE AND MAINTAIN BALANCE. IN ADDITION TO PROSPECTS FOR AMERICAN ARMS SALES, BASHIR IS INTERESTED IN U.S. POLICY WITH REGARD TO LICENSING FOR ARMS PRODUCTION FOR ISRAEL AND EGYPT.

2. BASHIR REALIZES THAT U.S. POLICY MAY NOT YET BE FULLY DETERMINED GIVEN SPEED WITH WHICH DEVELOPMENTS TAKING PLACE. HOWEVER, HE WOULD WELCOME ANY INFORMATION ON ABOVE THAT DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE AND MIGHT USEFULLY BE PUT INTO EGYPTIAN POSITION PAPERS. EILTS
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